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HYDROCARBON FEEDSTOCKS WITH HIGH LEVELS OF

BASIC NITROGEN

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION TO EXTEND

Petition is hereby made to extend the life of the above-entitled application for three (3) month(s) from the response due date of June 3, 2006 to the Official Action dated March 3, 2006.

An extension fee of \$1020.00 is attached in order that a Continuation application may be filed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u> in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**.

Respectfully submitted,

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